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RESIDENCE BURNS IN SUNDAY NIGHT FIRE.

Fire, of an unknown origin, reduced to ashes a four room residence in West Hickman Sunday night, occupied jointly by Will Smith and Isom Jonakin. The former lost all of his household effects but the latter saved a portion of his goods. The blaze started in the Smith section of the house, but the family was not at home, and there was no fire in their stoves.

Considerable work was necessary to save the residence of J. D. Bennett. So little hope was entertained for saving the Bennett place that he allowed all his furniture to be carried out.

The residence destroyed was owned by Henry Sanger. He carried \$400 insurance and stands to lose about the same amount. Neither Jonakin nor Smith carried any insurance.

SEVERAL GROOMING FOR CIRCUIT CLERKS' RACE.

There are at least three prospective candidates in Hickman for Fulton Circuit Court Clerk. About the same number of others are in the east end of the county in the "anxious seat," all waiting to learn if John Wesley Morris, the present efficient and satisfactory incumbent, is going to again make the race. Beating the old war horse is a source of "ish kabilib" with the boys who would like to warm the position of the circuit clerk's chair. The source of worry and uncertainty will doubtless be removed in a short time.

THE BUSINESS LEAGUE SHOULD HAVE ASSISTANCE.

The Young Men's Business League, or the dozen members who have remained faithful, have spent both time and money in an effort to help launch the truck-growing movement in the vicinity of Hickman. As to the value of such a proposition to our town and business men it is needless to state. That Hickman needs the benefits to be derived, is also obvious. That the League needs the support and co-operation of those who expect to profit by the successful culmination of the movement is very apparent to the men who are carrying all the load. The members each pay one dollar per month dues. This money, besides the members, time and work, is given for the common weal. Now if our merchants would bear a just portion of this expense, every business house in town should contribute not less than a dollar per month. It would pay them two-fold to make this investment. At present, we are in need of a practical truck demonstrator to go among the members of the Hickman Fruit & Truck Growers' Ass'n. He would be on the job for the next three months. Such a man can be had for the whole time for about \$300, but the dozen active league members are not able to bear this expense themselves. Furthermore, they should not be asked to do so. Yet the successful carrying out of our truck movement for 1915 depends largely upon it. So its up to you. After all the expense and detail work has been threshed out up to this point—we wonder how many have enough pluck to voluntarily offer their financial assistance to the extent of one or two dollars per month in the interest of this movement. We know there are some who are always ready to ride but never pay a cent; but we are addressing those who still claim to be among the living. If you want to help us, tell the secretary, Doyle Jurney, about it and how much to put you down for each month until June.

Saturday might have been one of the worst days of a still worse year, nevertheless, the Courier added nine brand new subscribers without the least solicitation.

Gov. Please resigned as governor of South Carolina five days before his term expired and Lieut. Gov. Smith was governor for five days.

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R. G. (GUY) ROBBINS
of Mayfield.



A prominent young lawyer of the 1st District, and a strong factor in Commonwealth Attorneys race.

NEW COTTON PICKERS SAID TO BE SUCCESS.

Should a mechanical cotton picker recently invented prove practical, it will revolutionize the industry in this country. It is a contrivance, so we are informed by L. N. Gregory who has seen it, resembling very much, in principle and mode of operation, a vacuum cleaner. There is a funnel-shaped thing on the end of a hose. A crank mechanism, on the order of a horse-clipper, is operated by one man and the "picker" is run among the open bolls by his assistants. Cotton is picked by suction. A screen at the mouth of the funnel at an angle, together with the force of suction, causes hulls and foreign particles to deflect and pass over the cotton channel. Two men it is said can pick 50 acres in a season, whereas, by hand it would take twenty men to do the same work. The picker is simple and should not cost in excess of \$10 or \$15. Total cost of manufacture will not exceed \$4.50.

So many mechanical pickers have been announced and all proved failures that it is hard to believe that any will prove a success. But, like the linotype, wireless telegraph, the aeroplane, etc., the pickers will be perfected.

THE A. F. CLOSER UP.

The church of the "Apostolic Faith," better known to most folks as "Holy Rollers," who have been holding a revival here for several months, have established their tabernacle in the old Allen-Smith furniture building on the levee. Heretofore they have held forth at the Elliott building in West Hickman. From a point of endurance, this revival has surpassed anything of the kind ever witnessed in Hickman—and the end is not in sight.

There's a hundred acres of land in one body in the Industrial Addition which can be bought at a price approximately its worth, and on reasonable time. This cut up in 5 acre tracts would be an ideal truck farming project. At present, the Business League is in touch with a colony of German gardeners, who are looking for a location. What a chance for some local capitalist to make a safe and lucrative investment and at the same time help his home town. Think what 20 more families—20 more houses to be built—and \$40,000 to \$50,000 added to our local channels of trade would mean besides helping the truck movement and the making of "two grains grow where" none grew before. It's not lack of opportunity, but mere lack of taking advantage of it that holds Hickman back.

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with the United Amusement Co. in vaudeville, at Crystal Theatre, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, in addition to regular picture program. Admission 20¢; balcony, 10¢.

\$50,000 DAMAGE SUIT IS WITHDRAWN.

The \$50,000 damage suit, filed in Fulton Circuit Court last week by Mrs. Hattie Mai Tyler against Goader Johnson, Jno. Wright, A. L. Lankford and C. T. Bonduant, was withdrawn Monday morning by F. S. Moore, attorney for Mrs. Tyler.

The withdrawal of this suit, a sequel to the Lankford-Tyler cases, tried at Wickliffe last week, practically brings this noted case to a close and exonerates the defendants, who were charged with a joint conspiracy to get rid of A. M. Tyler.

The bottom fell out of the State's case when Oce Harris failed to establish testimony to the effect of having overheard a plot on the part of the above-named men. Goader Johnson established a strong alibi when proved by a number of witnesses and the hotel register that he was in Fulton on the day Harris named as the one on which he overheard the plot.

Harris' testimony was not only a complete knock-out to the prosecution, but he was later indicted by the Wickliffe grand jury for perjury, and placed in jail. Not only the friends of all parties concerned, but "neutrals" in general are glad this litigation has ceased and that these men have been vindicated and thoroughly purged by legal process. As a finale, we understand there has been a general "burying of the hatchet." This is a sensible conclusion.

LADIES CLEARED \$40.00.

The Ladies of the United Charities realized a net sum of about \$40 from their benefit oyster supper Saturday evening. It might also be added that the supper was an enjoyable affair. The attendance would have been much larger had it not been for inclement weather.

GETS \$10,000 FEE.

Hon. A. O. Stanley is to get a fee of ten thousand dollars for defending the Mayor of Terre Haute, Ind., and thirty-seven other defendants in election fraud cases now pending against them in the Federal Court. This certainly beats going to Congress or running for Senator or Governor, and it is safe to say that Owsley will acquit his clients if it is possible too do so under the proof in the cases.

From twenty-five thousand to fifty thousand still remains as the unofficial estimate of the casualties resulting from the earthquake which rocked southern and central Italy early Wednesday morning.

W. L. Hillman, of Clinton, who calls himself "the young Confederate soldier," was here this week in the interest of his candidacy for Representative from Fulton and Hickman counties.

Judge W. M. Reed, who for the past eleven years has so capably filled the position of circuit judge in the Second Judicial District, announces his candidacy for re-election.

AUCTION SALE: I will, on the 3rd day of April, offer for sale my residence in South Hickman, containing about 7 acres, to the highest bidder. Terms made known on day of sale.—George T. Meacham. 2p.

If the skirts are worn much higher, the cornfed girls will have time to put on new stockings every time they go out or else take a chance on displaying the Jacob's Ladders.

Some wag, speaking of the "Lost Cause," says that at the final surrender, Gen. Robt. E. Lee was clad in full war regalia, and Grant wore an old union suit.

W. A. Johnston, wife and baby left Saturday for a brief visit at Ripley, Memphis, and points in Arkansas.

Breakfast delight coffee.—Ezell & Son.

"Blue Monday" was also white this week.

Womens' Suits and Coats At Extraordinary Reductions

LADIES' SUITS

that were now at

12.50, 15.00, 18.00 to 25.00
7.75, 8.75, 10.75, 13.75

LADIES' COATS

that were now at

6.00, 10.00, 15.00, 20.00 to 25.00
4.25, 5.75, 8.75, 12.75, to 15.75

CHILDREN'S COATS

that were now at

1.50, 3.50, 5.00, 7.00, 10.00
1.75, 2.75, 3.75, 4.75, 6.75

Mens' and Boys' Clothing Underpriced

Prices are for your benefit

Note these details:

Hart Schaffner & Marx \$20 to \$25 Suits choice	16.75	\$12.50 to \$15 Suits, broken lots 8.75
Hart Schaffner & Marx Suits odd lots \$18 to \$25	12.75	\$8.50 Suits 5.75
\$16.50 to \$18 Suits, all new now	12.75	\$6.00 Suits 4.25
		\$5.08 Suits 3.75

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